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WELCOME

Welcome to the Orthodox Union Advocacy Center's Attorneys Conference.

We have convened you – this group of accomplished and thoughtful attorneys from across the legal profession and from across our community – to develop new and better ways to combat antisemitism via the law.

Even before the terrible events of October 7, 2023 and their aftermath, antisemitism was surging in the United States. And since that date, it has gotten worse. However, many of you have taken critical action to fight back and this has been important and impactful; yet there is more we must do for the sake of our community's security and liberty.

At this conference we have attorneys in private practice (across many fields), in-house counsels, judges, government attorneys, legislators, law professors and more. The sessions are designed to not only provide information and insight, but to provoke thought and new ideas. We have built in time for breaks and brainstorming to foster creative conversations and, we hope, new initiatives and partnerships to roll back the tide of antisemitism and serve our community.

In short, the power and promise of this conference is you, each of you who chose to take the time from your busy work schedule and devote it to our community's current need.

On behalf of the Orthodox Union and our OU Advocacy team, thank you for stepping up and being our partner at this critical moment. Your engagement with us will surely be meaningful and contribute to the success of our collective efforts.

With gratitude,

Nathan J. Diamant

Executive Director, OU Advocacy Center

PROGRAM INFORMATION

To make your stay more enjoyable, please find some important details below.

The entire program will take place at
Sonesta Fort Lauderdale Beach
999 N Fort Lauderdale Beach Blvd
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33304

On the 1st floor, meeting rooms include:
Silver and Royal.

The Penthouse level features:
Impressions, the Infinity Ballroom, and the Horizon Ballroom.

Our dedicated conference WIFI is:
Username: OUAconference
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This conference is catered by LC Food Group.

SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2

1:00pm	Hospitality Reception	Royal
4:00pm	Arrival and Check-in	Front Desk
5:30pm	Mincha	Silver
5:45pm	Welcome Reception	Horizon Ballroom
6:45pm	Opening Dinner Keynote Speaker: David Schizer <i>Dean Emeritus, Columbia University Law School</i> Introduced by Allen Friedman <i>JP Morgan Chase</i>	Infinity Ballroom
8:15pm	Maariv	Horizon Ballroom
8:30pm	Dessert Reception	Impressions

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3

7:30am	Shacharit	Horizon Ballroom
	Breakfast	Impressions
9:00am-9:10am	Welcome Nathan J. Diament <i>Executive Director, OU Advocacy Center</i>	Horizon Ballroom
9:10am-10:10am	Judges' Reflections on Fighting Antisemitism Judge Robert Luck <i>U.S. Court of Appeals, 11th Circuit</i> Judge Robert Scola <i>U.S. District Court, So. Dist. of Florida</i> Judge Matthew Solomonson <i>U.S. Court of Federal Claims</i> Introduced by Yehudah Buchweitz <i>Weil Gotshal & Manges</i>	Horizon Ballroom
10:15am	Current Law, Litigation and More Prof. Avi Helfand <i>Pepperdine Univ. Law School</i> Alyza Lewin <i>Brandeis Center for Law & Human Rights</i> Akiva Shapiro <i>Gibson Dunn</i> Baruch Weiss <i>Arnold & Porter</i> Introduced by Shukie Grossman <i>Gibson Dunn</i>	Horizon Ballroom

MONDAY, CONTINUED

11:30am-12:45pm	<p>How Congress Can Fight Antisemitism in 2025</p> <p>Senator Lindsey Graham (R-SC) Representative Dan Goldman (D-NY)</p> <p>Introduced by Yitzie Pretter <i>Chairman, OUA National Committee</i></p> <p>Moderator: Nathan J. Diamant <i>Executive Director, OU Advocacy Center</i></p>	Horizon Ballroom
1:00pm	<p>Lunch</p> <p>Remarks: Rabbi Moshe Hauer <i>Executive Vice President, Orthodox Union</i></p> <p>Brainstorming Session</p>	Infinity Ballroom
2:30pm	<p>Mincha</p>	Horizon Ballroom
3:00pm	<p>Torah Session – Law & Judgement: Batei Din and Courts</p> <p>Remarks & Introduction by Mitchel R. Aeder <i>President, Orthodox Union</i></p> <p>Judge Matthew Solomson <i>U.S. Court of Federal Claims</i></p> <p>Prof. Chaim Saiman <i>Villanova Law School; Beth Din of America</i></p> <p>Rabbi Shlomo Weissman <i>Beth Din of America</i></p>	Horizon Ballroom
4:00pm	<p>Break</p>	
6:00pm	<p>Cocktails</p>	Impressions
7:00pm	<p>Dinner</p> <p>Remarks: Maury Litwack <i>Founder of the Teach Coalition and Jewish Voters Unite</i></p> <p>Keynote Speaker: Hon. Paul Clement <i>Former Solicitor General of the U.S.</i></p> <p>Introduced by Nathan J. Diamant <i>Executive Director, OU Advocacy Center</i></p>	Infinity Ballroom
8:15pm	<p>Maariv</p>	Horizon Ballroom
8:30pm	<p>Dessert Reception</p>	Impressions

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4

Check out is at 11:00am, luggage can be stored in the Royal room on the first floor.

7:45am	Shacharit	Horizon Ballroom
	Breakfast	Impressions
9:00am-10:15am	Addressing Antisemitism and Inclusion within the Corporate Sector Suzanne Wachsstock Hon. Mitchell Silk <i>Cedarfield Group</i> Jessica Cohen <i>Verizon</i> Hillel Caplan <i>Deloitte</i> Moderator: Yossi Goldman <i>Jones Day</i>	Horizon Ballroom
10:15am-11:45am	Breakout Discussion Groups A) New Initiatives Law Firms Can Take B) Brainstorming New Legislation / Regulations C) In House Initiatives D) Law Students Group Facilitators: Danny Aqua, Rabbi Dr. Josh Joseph, Nachama Soloveichik	Horizon Ballroom
12:00pm-12:45pm	Lunch	Infinity Ballroom
12:45pm-1:30pm	So What? Now What? Rabbi Dr. Josh Joseph <i>Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, Orthodox Union</i>	Infinity Ballroom
1:30pm	Closing Remarks Nathan J. Diament <i>Executive Director, OU Advocacy Center</i>	Infinity Ballroom
1:45pm	Mincha	Horizon Ballroom
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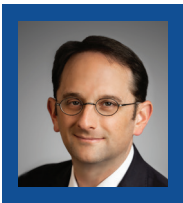


Mitchel R. Aeder

Mitchel Aeder became the President of the OU in 2023. Since joining the OU board over 20 years ago, Mitch has served in numerous capacities, including Chairman of the Board, Chairman of Yachad and NCSY. Mitch also has acted as an advisor to many yeshivas and other Jewish organizations.

Professionally, Mitch was a senior partner at PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC) where he advised corporations on the tax aspects of acquisitions and restructurings. His formal education included stints at Yeshivat Darche Noam, Brown University and NYU Law School. His rebbeim are too numerous to list.

Mitch and his wife, Dr. Lita Aeder, live in Kew Gardens Hills, NY. Lita is the head of pediatric medical education at Brookdale Hospital. Three of their children have made aliya (thus far).



Yehudah Buchweitz

Yehudah Buchweitz is a partner in Weil's Litigation Department, where he focuses on a wide spectrum of complex commercial disputes. He is ranked as a leading lawyer nationally in Chambers USA, Lawdragon, Benchmark Litigation, and Legal 500, among many others, with clients recognizing him as "a brilliant legal mind and thinker" who is "incredibly tenacious, well connected, and aggressive when you need him to be."

He is well known for delivering significant and successful results for a who's who of leading media and entertainment, life sciences, private equity, and other companies, including AZZ, Inc., Brookfield Asset Management, Galderma, Paramount Global, Providence Equity Partners, Simon & Schuster, and Sanofi.

Yehudah also is a champion for organizations and individuals seeking to protect their constitutional, religious, and civil rights, which has yielded front-page headlines in national press.

For example, he successfully represented the East End Eruv Association in a series of high-profile federal civil rights cases brought against certain Long Island municipalities regarding the creation of an eruv. His notable victories in these matters have included affirmance of a lower court's dismissal of a complaint that alleged that the installation of lechis on public utility poles violated the Establishment Clause of the U.S. Constitution, and the reversal of a town zoning board decision that lechis were signs that could not be placed on utility poles under a municipal ordinance, with the Court holding that, since lechis are not even discernible, it is unreasonable not to accommodate the religious practice. Yehudah also successfully represented the Bergen Rockland Eruv Association in a similar dispute involving three New Jersey communities regarding their attempts to halt the expansion of an eruv in Rockland County, New York. He also secured for Congregation Shomrei Torah of Clifton, NJ one of the largest-ever recoveries under the federal Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act in connection with years-long delays and disparate treatment by the Clifton Planning Board, which prevented the Congregation from building a house of worship. And, he successfully prosecuted and resolved a religious discrimination lawsuit brought against the owners of a condominium complex in Fort Lee, NJ, arising from the building management's decision to abruptly cease operation of a Shabbat elevator and provision of assistance with the elevators for Sabbath-observant residents.



Hillel Caplan

Hillel Caplan is a Partner with Deloitte Risk and Financial Advisory ("Deloitte"). He currently leads Deloitte's family office finance operate practice. He also advises clients on operational and strategic matters related to CLOs and corporate loans.

Prior to his current role, Hillel was the founder of Deloitte's Solvas software business, which he led for over 20 years until its successful monetization in May 2023. Hillel also led Deloitte's LeaseController software business which was also successfully divested in May 2023.

Before transitioning to the advisory practice, Hillel spent several years in Deloitte's audit practice, focusing on private equity and other asset management products.

In addition to his professional, client-facing roles, Hillel is currently the co-leader of Deloitte's Jewish Network (JNet), an employee resource group (ERG) for 1,200 U.S.-based Jewish personnel and allies, embodying Deloitte's commitment to diversity and inclusion. (JNet is one of four faith-based networks under Deloitte's Faith & Allies DEI community.)



Paul Clement

Paul D. Clement served as the 43rd Solicitor General of the United States from June 2005 until June 2008. He is a partner at Clement & Murphy, PLLC. He has argued over 100 cases before the United States Supreme Court on a wide variety of subjects. Paul has argued more Supreme Court cases since 2000 than any lawyer in or out of government. Mr. Clement has also argued over 100 cases in the federal courts of appeals, and is currently representing the students in *Frankel v. UCLA*.

Mr. Clement is a native of Cedarburg, Wisconsin, and a graduate of the Cedarburg public schools. He received his bachelor's degree summa cum laude from the Georgetown University School of Foreign Service, and a master's degree in economics from Cambridge University. He graduated magna cum laude from Harvard Law School, where he was the Supreme Court editor of the *Harvard Law Review*. Following graduation, Mr. Clement clerked for Judge Laurence H. Silberman of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit and for Associate Justice Antonin Scalia of the U.S. Supreme Court.

Mr. Clement is a Distinguished Lecturer in Law at the Georgetown University Law Center, where he has taught in various capacities since 1998. He also serves as a Senior Fellow of the Law Center's Supreme Court Institute.



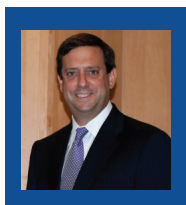
Jessica Chavi Cohen

As counsel for the State and Federal Regulatory Affairs team, Jessica leads the company's legal and public policy analysis and advocacy response in a variety of areas including cybersecurity, privacy, AI, and some matters related to the Federal Trade Commission.

Upon joining Verizon in 2020, she led the company's philanthropy and community engagement efforts for the Northern Ohio and Cincinnati markets. Prior to that, she worked in the nonprofit and public sectors, serving on the staff of U.S. Congresswoman Carolyn McCarthy and later in institutional advancement and government advocacy roles for Cleveland-based nonprofits.

Jessica currently chairs the Cleveland Heights Planning Commission. She also serves on the board of the State Privacy and Security Coalition and Bikur Cholim of Cleveland, as well as the HR and Community Relations Committees of the Jewish Federation of Cleveland. Jessica received her undergraduate degree in Government from Harvard University with citations in Spanish and Hebrew and her Master's in

Public Policy and Administration from Northwestern University. Jessica completed her Juris Doctor summa cum laude and Certificate in Cybersecurity and Data Privacy from Cleveland State University College of Law. Jessica and her husband Eric, a public school teacher, live in Cleveland Heights, Ohio with their five adorable children.



Nathan J. Diament

Nathan J. Diament is the Executive Director of the Orthodox Union Advocacy Center – the nonpartisan public policy arm of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America.

In this role, Mr. Diament has led the Orthodox Union's political and policy advocacy division for more than 28 years.

A graduate of Yeshiva University and Harvard Law School, Mr. Diament has worked on a bipartisan basis on a range of issues of concern to the Jewish community including U.S.-Israel relations, religious liberty, education policy, combating Antisemitism, and more. He has testified before Congressional committees on multiple occasions and has had a hand in crafting and passing many pieces of federal legislation including the Religious Freedom Restoration Act, the creation of the Nonprofit Security Grant Program, the Federal Disaster Assistance Fairness Act and more. Mr. Diament has also authored many amicus curiae briefs submitted to the U.S. Supreme Court in significant cases of concern to the Orthodox community.

In 2009, President Obama appointed Mr. Diament to serve as one of 25 members of the White House Advisory Committee on Faith Based Initiatives, and in 2017 the Secretary of Homeland Security appointed Diament to serve on a Task Force for Combating Faith-Targeted Violence.



Allen Friedman

Allen Friedman is the head of JPMorgan Chase's Corporate Tax Department (April 2015 – present). Prior to joining JPM in 1989, Allen was with Cravath, Swaine, & Moore (1984-1989) and a law clerk for Chief Judge Jack Weinstein of the Eastern District of New York (1983-1984). He serves as a member of the Response Working Group – a group of senior Jewish officers of JPM formed after October 7th to help guide JPM's response to the event and its aftermath.

Allen is a board member of NORPAC, a political action committee devoted to strengthening bipartisan support for a strong U.S.- Israel relationship, and a member of the OU Advocacy Center's National Committee.

Allen received a B.A. from Yeshiva University in 1979, a J.D. from Columbia Law School in 1983, and an LL.M. in Taxation from New York University in 1989.

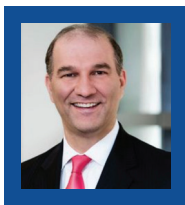


Dan Goldman

Congressman Dan Goldman is an attorney who, before running for office, served as an Assistant United States Attorney in the Southern District of New York. During his 10-year tenure as an Assistant United States Attorney in the Southern District of New York, Goldman focused on organized crime and white collar prosecutions, representing the United States in all phases of the federal criminal process, from investigation through appeal. Goldman conducted and supervised hundreds of investigations involving racketeering, murder, money laundering, gun trafficking, firearms, narcotics, extortion and loansharking offenses, securities fraud, wire fraud, mail fraud, health care fraud, tax fraud, and other white collar crime.

From 2012 to 2014, Goldman was Deputy Chief of the Organized Crime Unit. From 2014 to 2017, he served as Senior Trial Counsel in the Securities and Commodities Fraud Task Force.

Goldman currently resides in lower Manhattan with his wife, Corinne, and their five children, who attend school in both the Manhattan and Brooklyn portions of the 10th District. He is a graduate of Yale College (B.A. 1998) and Stanford Law School (J.D. with distinction 2005). He clerked for the Hon. Charles R. Breyer in the Northern District of California and Robert D. Sack in the Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit.



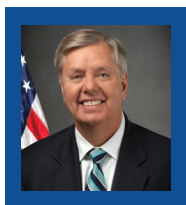
Yossi Goldman

Yossi Goldman is co-head of Jones Day's worldwide Tax Practice. He has 30 years of experience advising on the tax and business aspects of financial and international transactions. Yossi counsels clients on M&A, collaboration and licensing agreements, post-acquisition integration of businesses, and financings and restructurings. He also advises clients on IRS audits and appeals.

Yossi works regularly with clients in the life sciences and other high-value technology industries. He has provided tax advice on transactions worth hundreds of billions of dollars in the aggregate and has coordinated post-transaction legal entity restructurings and combinations around the world.

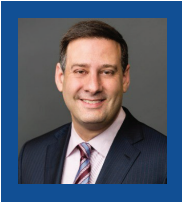
Yossi's primary concentration is in cross-border taxation. He works with clients to maximize tax efficiency by developing specialized planning for foreign tax credits, transfer pricing, and profit repatriation. He also works with private equity clients, strategic investors, and hedge funds to structure their investments in the most tax-efficient manner.

Yossi is a member of the American Bar Association (Taxation Section), the District of Columbia Bar, and the New York State Bar Association. He has lectured at conferences on numerous topics involving federal and international taxation.



Lindsey Graham

Elected to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1994 and the U.S. Senate in 2002, Lindsey Graham is the current Chairman of the Senate Budget Committee. He has previously served as both the Chairman and Ranking Member of the Senate Judiciary Committee. He is a well respected leader on national security matters and is known for his work to solve the biggest problems America faces. Since the horrific October 7th attack on Israel, Senator Graham has visited the region multiple times and is continuing to push to set free the hostages held by Hamas. He believes that America has no better friend than Israel, and will continue to stand up for the only democracy in the Middle East. Thanks, in part, to Senator Graham's work and leadership on the Judiciary Committee, Supreme Court Justices Brett Kavanaugh and Amy Coney Barrett, along with over 200 federal judges appointed by President Trump in his first term, now sit on the bench. Protecting the rule of law and the Constitution has always been a top priority for Lindsey Graham, and he will continue that effort during the second Trump Administration. Senator Graham continues to be front-and-center on issues of judicial reform, national security, defense spending, and the need to restore America's leadership position as a force for global stability. He has proven that he has the character and drive to tackle the tough issues and defend our nation.



Shukie Grossman

Shukie Grossman is a Partner and the Global Chair of the Investment Funds Practice at Gibson, Dunn and Crutcher LLP. He also serves on the Board of Directors of the Orthodox Union and as the Commission Chair of JLIC. Shukie previously spent several years in the Division of Investment Management of the SEC and, for over a decade, taught private investment funds at Columbia Law School.

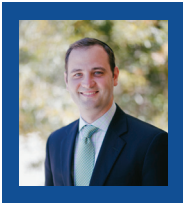


Rabbi Moshe Hauer

Rabbi Moshe Hauer joined the Orthodox Union as its Executive Vice President on May 1, 2020. In this role he serves as the organization's rabbinic leader, heading its communal-oriented efforts and serving as its professional religious/policy leader and primary spokesman.

Prior to joining the OU, Rabbi Hauer served as the senior Rabbi of the Bnai Jacob Shaarei Zion Congregation in Baltimore, MD for 26 years, where he was active in local communal leadership in many areas, with an emphasis on education, children-at-risk, and social service organizations serving the Jewish community. Rabbi Hauer is an active teacher of Torah who led a leadership training program for rabbis and communal leaders, and was a founding editor of the online journal Klal Perspectives.

Rabbi Hauer received his rabbinic ordination and doctor of Talmudic law from Ner Israel. He received his master's of science from John Hopkins University.



Michael (Avi) Helfand

Michael (Avi) Helfand is the Brenden Mann Foundation Chair in Law and Religion and Co-Director of the Nootbaar Institute for Law, Religion and Ethics at Pepperdine Caruso School of Law as well as the Florence Rogatz Visiting Professor and Research Fellow at the Brodie Center for Jewish and Israeli Law at Yale Law School. His research considers how U.S. law treats religious law, religious institutions and religious practices. Professor Helfand's academic articles have appeared in numerous law journals, including the Yale Law Journal, New York University Law Review, and Duke Law Journal. He also often provides media commentary on clashes between law and religion, writing for various public audience publications, including the Wall Street Journal, Los Angeles Times, and the Forward.

In addition to his academic work, Professor Helfand serves as the senior legal advisor to the Teach Coalition and as a senior fellow at the Shalom Hartman Institute. He received his J.D. from Yale Law School, PhD in Political Science from Yale University and B.A. from Yeshiva College.



Rabbi Josh Joseph, Ed.D.

Rabbi Dr. Josh Joseph is the Orthodox Union's Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer since September of 2020. He is the senior professional leader, responsible for all aspects of OU programs and operations, other than OU Kosher. He joined the OU from Yeshiva University where he served in a variety of roles over 16 years, ultimately rising to senior vice president. In that role, he established and implemented strategic plans, managed the university's operations, and played key roles on major initiatives such as the university's response to the coronavirus. A native of Montreal, Josh received both his Ed.D. and Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Pennsylvania. He received his rabbinical ordination from Yeshiva University's Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary, as well as a Master of Arts in Jewish philosophy from their Bernard Revel Graduate School. He also completed fellowships and certificates at NYU's Wagner School of Public Administration, as well as Harvard's Institute of Higher Education. Josh previously worked at a hedge fund, as a community rabbi, served as the executive director of the Orthodox Caucus, and director of social entrepreneurialism at YU's Center for the Jewish Future. He and his wife, Julie, live in Lawrence, New York and are the proud parents of Zach, Ozzie, and Marsha.



Alyza Lewin

Alyza D. Lewin is the President of The Louis D. Brandeis Center for Human Rights Under Law ("LDB"), a non-profit organization established to advance the civil and human rights of the Jewish people and promote justice for all. The Brandeis Center engages in research, education, and legal advocacy to combat the resurgence of anti-Semitism on college and university campuses, in the workplace, and elsewhere. Ms. Lewin is also a co-founder and partner in Lewin & Lewin, LLP where she specializes in litigation, mediation and government relations. Her experience includes criminal defense, civil litigation and anti-discrimination matters.

Ms. Lewin led the litigation team that represented Avi Zinger, the Israeli licensee of Ben & Jerry's ice cream, in the lawsuit that Mr. Zinger filed against Unilever to prevent Ben & Jerry's boycott of Israel.

In 2014, Lewin argued *Zivotofsky v. Kerry* (the "Jerusalem Passport" case) before the U.S. Supreme Court, a case involving the constitutionality of a law granting any American citizen born in Jerusalem the right to list "Israel" as the place of birth on his/her U.S. passport. Ms. Lewin, together with her father Nathan J. Lewin, also successfully represented the Boim family in its landmark civil tort litigation which established the right of American victims of terror to obtain damages under American law against organizations that knowingly provide financial support to international terrorist groups.

Ms. Lewin began her law career in Israel where she clerked on the Supreme Court for Deputy President Justice Menachem Elon. Ms. Lewin served as President of the American Association of Jewish Lawyers and Jurists ("AAJLJ") from 2012 – 2017. In January 2020, Ms. Lewin was awarded the AAJLJ's distinguished Pursuit of Justice Award.

Ms. Lewin received her B.A. from Princeton University in 1988 and a J.D. from New York University School of Law in 1992. She is a member of the bars of New York and the District of Columbia. Ms. Lewin has also been trained as a mediator by the American Arbitration Association and the Center for Dispute Settlement.

Ms. Lewin is married and has four children.



Maury Litwack

Maury Litwack is the Founder of the Teach Coalition and Jewish Voters Unite. As founder of the Teach Coalition, Maury built a national movement responsible for delivering billions in funding to schools, camps, and synagogues.

Teach Coalition currently represents tens of thousands of politically active lay leaders, parents and student activists, and has been at the forefront of much of the historic legislation passed in the last decade providing support and innovative programming to nonpublic schools including record STEM, security, and special education funding. As founder of Jewish Voters Unite, Maury has been instrumental in raising awareness on the importance of Jewish voter turnout. His voter turnout work includes the groundbreaking voter turnout effort in the Bowman-Latimer primary, some of the most successful voter registration drives to ever take place in NY and NJ, and the recent voter turnout in the Pennsylvania presidential primary.

Prior to establishing these organizations, Litwack served on the intergovernmental affairs staff for Miami-Dade County, as a legislative advisor for two Members of Congress and has volunteered on a number of local, congressional, and presidential campaigns. Litwack was named to the top 20 of City & State's Power 100 list and *Algemeiner* magazine named him to the list of the top 100 People Positively Influencing Jewish Life.



Robert Luck

Robert J. Luck is a Judge on the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit. Prior to the federal bench, Judge Luck served on the Florida Supreme Court, the Third District Court of Appeal in Miami, and the Eleventh Judicial Circuit Court of Florida. Earlier in his career, Judge Luck was a legislative correspondent for two United States Senators and a law clerk for Judge Ed Carnes on the United States Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit. Judge Luck graduated with highest honors from the University of Florida with a Bachelor of Arts in Economics. Judge Luck received his Juris Doctor from the University of Florida Levin College of Law, where he graduated magna cum laude, joined the Order of the Coif, and served as Editor-in-Chief of the Florida Law Review.



Yitzie (Isaac) Pretter

Yitzie Pretter is the Chairman of OU Advocacy's National Committee. Professionally, Yitzie is founding principal of commercial real estate firm Mosaic Realty Partners. He holds an MBA in Finance from Johns Hopkins Carey Business School and a Bachelor's Degree in Talmudic Law from Ner Israel Rabbinical College. His communal involvement includes having Board affiliations with Associated – Jewish Federation of Baltimore; Bnai Jacob Shaarei Zion; Bais Yaakov of Baltimore; AIPAC NLN; JTAP Baltimore; Shidduch Center of Baltimore; Toras Simcha – Baltimore; National Young Leadership Cabinet – JFNA; Jewish Education Services (JES) – Baltimore; and Laniado Hospital, where he is mid-Atlantic Co-Chair. Yitzie lives in Northwest Baltimore together with his wife and their five children.



David Schizer

David Schizer is Dean Emeritus and Harvey R. Miller Professor of Law & Economics at Columbia Law School. He served as Dean from 2004 to 2014, and as CEO of the American Jewish Joint Distribution Committee, a global Jewish humanitarian organization, from 2017 to 2019. Schizer is the author of *How to Save the World in Six (Not So Easy) Steps: Bringing Out the Best in Nonprofits*, a co-chair of Columbia University's task force on antisemitism, and a Charter Trustee of Ramaz.



Chaim Saiman

Chaim Saiman is a scholar of Jewish law, insurance law and private law and published *Halakhah: The Rabbinic Idea of Law* with Princeton University Press. Saiman has served as the Gruss Visiting Professor of Talmudic Law at both Harvard Law School and the University of Pennsylvania Law School, a visiting fellow at Princeton University and a visiting professor at the University of Toronto, Bar-Ilan,

Hebrew University, IDC and Pepperdine University faculties of law. Saiman sits as a rabbinical court judge (dayyan) with the Beth Din of America and serves as an expert witness in insurance law and Jewish law in federal court.

Saiman received his BS from Georgia State University and his JD from Columbia University School of Law. He also studied for a number of years at Yeshivat Har-Etzion (Gush) and Yeshivat Kerem B'Yavneh in Israel. Prior to joining the faculty at Villanova, he was an Olin Fellow at Harvard Law School a Golieb Fellow at NYU Law School, a law clerk to Judge Michael McConnell on the Tenth Circuit Court of Appeals and worked as a corporate associate with the firm Cleary Gottlieb in New York. At Villanova, Saiman teaches contracts, insurance law, insurance coverage disputes, Jewish law and arbitration.



Judge Robert Scola

Robert N. Scola, Jr. has served as United States District Court Judge in the Southern District of Florida since 2011. Prior to his appointment to the federal bench, he served as a Circuit Judge in the Eleventh Judicial Circuit from 1995 to 2011 where he sat in the General Jurisdiction Division, Family Division and Criminal Division.

He received his bachelor of arts degree from Brown University, Providence, RI in 1977 and his juris doctor degree (cum laude) from Boston College Law School, Newton, MA (1980).

He has received the following awards as a judge: "Honorable Theodore 'Ted' Klein Lifetime Achievement Award" from the Greater Miami Jewish Federation 2021; "Judge of the Year Award" from the Florida Chapter of the American Board of Trial Advocates 2013; "Honorable William Hoever Professionalism Award" from the Florida Bar 2007; "Honorable Steven Levine Justice Award" from the Miami-Dade County Trial Lawyers' Association 2005; "League of Prosecutors Justice Award" 2005; "Judge of the Year" award for 2004 from the Florida Law Related Education Program; "Honorable Gerald Kogan Judicial Distinction Award" from the Florida Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers on May 12, 2001; "Jurist of the Year" 2001-2002 award from the First Family Law American Inn of Court.

Prior to his judicial career he was a sole practitioner handling criminal cases in state and federal courts from 1986 to 1995. He also served as President of the Florida Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers, Miami Chapter in 1994. He began his legal career as a prosecutor for Janet Reno in the Dade County State Attorney's Office in 1980 where he rose to the position of Deputy Chief Assistant State Attorney and Major Crimes Prosecutor. He tried over 100 felony jury trials to verdict as a prosecutor and criminal defense attorney, including over 20 homicide cases.



Akiva Shapiro

Akiva Shapiro is a litigation partner at Gibson Dunn, Chair of the Firm's New York Administrative Law and Regulatory Practice Group, Co-Chair of its Religious Liberty Working Group, and co-founder and Co-Chair of its Sabbath Observant Affinity Group. Akiva's practice focuses on a broad range of high-stakes constitutional, administrative, commercial, and appellate litigation matters. City & State recently described him as "one of the nation's leading defenders of religious liberties," including for co-leading *The Roman Catholic Diocese of Brooklyn v. Cuomo*, the successful challenge to New York's house of worship restrictions during the Covid-19 pandemic that resulted in a landmark emergency injunction from the U.S. Supreme Court. Akiva earned a J.D. from Columbia Law School, where he was a senior editor of the *Columbia Law Review*, and a Master's Degree in Religious Studies from Yale University. He graduated from Columbia University with a Bachelor of Arts in History.



Mitchell Silk

Mitchell (Moyshe) Silk is a lawyer, author, and former government official. He served as Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for International Markets under President Donald Trump until January 2021, and is the first and only Hasidic Jew to hold a Senate confirmed senior U.S. administration position.

In addition to leading the U.S. Government's global efforts to unleash value in energy and infrastructure through private capital solutions, Mitch was a senior Treasury negotiator in the China Phase I trade deal. His investment and finance skills were instrumental to U.S. Treasury's swift and effective emergency response to the unprecedented economic shock from the COVID-19 global pandemic through design and implementation of the \$94 billion CARES Act programs to assist aviation businesses that saved over 600,000 jobs. He proudly represented the United States Government as Head of US Delegation to the G20 Infrastructure Working Group and the Financial Stability Board's Standing Committee on Assessment of Vulnerabilities.

Prior to Treasury, Mitch enjoyed a distinguished legal career on Wall Street. He served as a partner of the global elite law practice of Allen & Overy in Hong Kong and New York for over 20 years. For over three decades, Mitch led strategic initiatives and teams that successfully executed on large, complex, capital intensive and cross-border landmark projects, including in the energy, infrastructure, mining, industrial and financial services sectors. Mitch presently serves as Group General Counsel to

Waterton Global Resources and The Cedarfield Group, diverse platforms invested in real assets, including mining and spirits.

In addition to his several books on infrastructure finance, international investment and environmental law, Silk published a three volume, 2,000 page translation of the classic Kedushas Levi, a classic Chassidic commentary on the Bible, the first ever complete translation into English of this work.

Mitch served from 2006-17 as the Chairman of the Agudath Israel of America Pro Bono Legal Services Network, and has served as its Chairman Emeritus since 2021. He holds a JD from the University of Maryland School of Law, a BSFS from the Georgetown University School of Foreign Service, and an advanced law degree from the University of Beijing, and is fluent in Mandarin and Cantonese Chinese and Yiddish.



Matthew Solomson

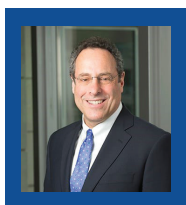
Following U.S. Senate confirmation, Judge Solomson was appointed by President Trump to the U.S. Court of Federal Claims in February 2020. Judge Solomson has issued notable decisions in areas spanning the court's jurisdiction, including procurement, patent, tax, takings, contract, and military and civilian pay disputes. Prior to joining the court, Judge Solomson was Chief Legal and Compliance Officer for a \$12B business unit of a Fortune 50 company, practiced government contracts law with several Washington, DC, law firms—including Sidley Austin LLP and Arnold & Porter LLP—and was a trial attorney in the Commercial Litigation Branch of the U.S. Department of Justice. He has served as counsel of record in dozens of cases before the National Courts, which include the U.S. Court of Federal Claims, the U.S. Court of International Trade, and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit. Following graduation from the University of Maryland's JD/MBA program in 2002, he served as a law clerk for the Hon. Francis M. Allegra, Judge, U.S. Court of Federal Claims. Judge Solomson is the primary author and editor of the legal treatise, Court of Federal Claims: Jurisdiction, Practice, and Procedure, first published by Bloomberg BNA in 2016.



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Suzanne Wachsstock is an antitrust lawyer living in Silver Spring, Maryland, and is speaking here in her personal capacity. Professionally, she is currently

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Rabbi Shlomo Weissmann

Rabbi Shlomo Weissmann is the Menahel (Director) of the Beth Din of America. He received rabbinical ordination from the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary at Yeshiva University in 2001 and advanced rabbinical ordination (Yadin Yadin) in 2014. He is a graduate of Columbia Law School, where he was a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar. Prior to his association with the Beth Din of America, Rabbi Weissmann worked as an attorney at several prominent law firms, including Debevoise and Plimpton LLP. Rabbi Weissmann serves as a frequent arbitrator (dayan) and mediator and lectures widely about the interface of Jewish and secular law, especially as it relates to rabbinical court arbitration. He is an Adjunct Professor at the Sy Syms School of Business at Yeshiva University.

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